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Olympics 2012

America's Olympians represent both the joy of competition and the results of hard work and determination that people from all walks of life can achieve. Olympics



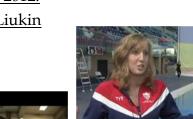
Olympic Park, London

embody the spirit of teamwork and fair play, which are also American values.

Videos



Road to 2012: Nastia Liukin



Training Future Olympians

Road to 2012: Synchronized Swimming

"A lifetime of training for just ten seconds."

- lesse Owens

Road to 2012:Wheelchair athlete--the need for speed



2012 USA Basketball Team

Catch Up with Olympics



CNN FoxNews



New York Times Time Magazine

Washington Post

Articles of Interest

Obama Announces Presidential Age-Defying Sprinter Evelyn Delegation to the Opening Ceremony of the 2012 Olympic Games in London

Remarks to the International Olympic Committee's World Conference on Women and Sport

Ashford Still Inspires

Is Cricket Coming Back to Olympics?

Trying for Olympics is Worth Sacrifices, U.S. Rower Says



Evelyn Ashford

"Sports programs teach girls of every income level and ethnic background about leadership and teamwork, about supporting one another."

— Sec. Clinton

Olympics Trivia

American Eddie Eagan is the only person to have won gold medals in both the Summer and Winter Games. He was a boxing champion in the 1920 Antwerp Games, and also won gold at the 1932 Lake Placid Games in the team bobsled event. The U.S. Olympic Committee announced the 530 member 2012 U.S. Olympic Team on July 10, 2012.

The oldest and youngest Olympians on the 2012 Olympic Team – equestrian athlete Karen O'Connor, 54, and swimmer Katie Ledecky, 15 Basketball center Tyson Chandler checks
-in as the tallest
member of Team USA
at 7 feet, 1 inch, and at
4 feet, 11 inches, three
athletes are tied as the
shortest members of
Team USA – diver
Katie Bell, wrestler
Clarissa Chun and
gymnast Gabby
Douglas.

Women and Olympics

At the first modern Olympic Games in Athens 1896, no women competed, as de Coubertin felt that their inclusion would be "impractical, uninteresting, unaesthetic, and incorrect." Women participated for the first time at the 1900 Paris Games with the inclusion of women's events in lawn tennis and golf. Women's athletics and gymnastics debuted at the 1928 Olympics. Over time more women's events were added. In 2012, women's boxing will be introduced, resulting in no remaining sports that do not include events for women.

Quiz Which year did the US Olympic team boycott the Olympics? Write to

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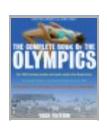


Michael Phelps











Selected Articles

25 Amazing athletes overage: Read on and be inspired! *The*

Saturday evening post

Rimstidt, Aaron. 2012 Vol:284

#3 p.44

The 2012 Olympics: assessing the public health effect. *Lancet.* Wellings, Kaye. 2011 Vol:378 # 9797 p.1193 -1195

<u>Capital values: The 2012</u> <u>Olympics.</u> *The Economist (US),* July 23, 2011, Vol.400#8743, p.26(US)

A historical perspective of the Paralympic Games. (Report).

Journal of Physical Education, Recreation & Dance. DePauw, Karen. 2012 Vol:83 #3 pg:21.

<u>A Leg Up On Life.</u> *Runner's* world. 2011 Vol:46 #7 p.021.

A need to align the modern games with the modern times.

Case Western Reserve law Review. Cleary, Jennifer. 2011 Vol:61 #4 p.1285

Olympics in USA

1904 : St. Louis1932 : Los Angeles

1984 : Los Angeles

1996 : Atanta

Olympics & Social Media
Social Media, Blogging and Internet
Guidelines for 2012
Olympics

Olympics Athletes
Hub

eJournalUSA



eJournal USA:SportsStrengthenCommunities

"When anyone tells
me I can't do
anything, I'm just
not listening any
more."
Florence Griffith

Joyner

Titles from ebrary



"I swam my brains
out."
- Mark Spitz

Beware!

Malicious E-Mail
Attachment on
Olympics Making
Rounds on the Internet. A schedule of the
2012 London
Olympics has been

circulating on the
Internet that, alas, is
not a schedule, but a
Chinese cyber
attack. *The advice:*Don't open it. You can
view this article at
nytimes.com.



Steve Whelpley rows a single

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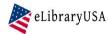
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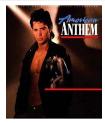
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Aug. 11, 2012

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Useful Websites

American College of Sports Medicine

Empowering Women and Girls through Sports

International Olympic

<u>Committee</u> Let'sMove

London 2012 Games

Official 2012 Website Team USA

Official Site of USA Basketball

2012 Team USA roster by sport

Sports Medicine

Sports Injuries

Track Town USA

Travel.State.Gov

U.K. Background notes

United States Anti-Doping
Agency

USA Track & Field



First lady Michelle Obama, surrounded by Team USA athletes on May 14, announced a new *Let's Move* partnership with the U.S. Olympic Committee.

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